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U.S. Protests to Soviet On Tourists' Detention

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The United States protested to the Soviet Union today on the arrest and secret detention for seven weeks of two American tourists.

The two, Harvey C. Bennett of Bath, Me., and Mark I. Kaminsky of Cass County, Mich., were released recently. The Russians said they were being "expelled." The two were accused of going into a restricted area.

The State Department announced that Edward L. Freers, of the United States Embassy in Moscow, had told the Soviet Foreign Office yesterday that the United States Government was satisfied the two men were bona fide tourists.

A spokesman said Mr. Freers had "strongly protested the action of the Soviet authorities in holding them incommunicado for seven weeks."

The United States also charged a "flagrant violation of generally accepted international custom" because the Embassy had not been told what had happened to the men.

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